

an extended area formed by being extended from a bottom of said long convex area in the lateral direction of said surface side sheet; and
a restriction mini sheet piece for restricting spreading of the inflection portion.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations from claim 2 that the long convex area is formed by at least an inflection portion, and from claim 3 that the interlabial pad includes a restriction mini sheet piece for restricting spreading of the inflection portion. The prior art of record does not teach or suggest the interlabial pad of claim 1 having a restriction mini sheet piece for restricting spreading of the inflection portion. Claim 3 has been found, for this reason, to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Therefore, Applicants submit that claim 1 is novel over the prior art of record and allowable. The remaining claims depend directly or indirectly from claim 1 and are allowable for at least the same reason. Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining issues which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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